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The Government wants to strengthen Sweden's innovative capacity and climate for innovation so as to contribute to sustainable development and establish conditions to create new jobs throughout the country. Innovation concerns new or improved solutions that create value for society, businesses and individuals, and covers plans and measures for developing and strengthening the forces of innovation and renewal in Swedish businesses in many areas of society.

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[Prime Minister took part in press conference on AI investment in Sweden](#)

On Monday 3 June, Prime Minister Ulf Kristersson took part in a press conference together with Microsoft President and Vice Chair Brad Smith. Microsoft announced new investments in Sweden related to AI totalling SEK 34 billion.

Published 07 June 2024 · [Article](#), [Webcast](#) from [Ulf Kristersson](#), [Prime Minister's Office](#)

[Svenskt Tenn wins 2023 Cultural and Creative Industries Export Prize](#)

On 3 June, Minister for International Development Cooperation and Foreign Trade Johan Forssell presented the Government's 2023 Cultural and Creative Industries Export Prize. The Prize has been awarded since 2017 and the winner is chosen by a jury consisting of representatives of the cultural and creative industries. This year's Prize went to Svenskt Tenn, which is celebrating its 100th anniversary this year. The Rising Star Award was presented to Hanna Hansdotter, one of the most interesting and innovative glass artists of our time.

Published 03 June 2024 · [Press release](#) from [Johan Forssell](#), [Ministry for Foreign Affairs](#)

[Prime Minister Ulf Kristersson received Germany's Federal Chancellor Olaf Scholz](#)

In connection with the Nordic summit in Stockholm on 13–14 May, in which Germany also took part, Mr Kristersson and Mr Scholz signed a strategic innovation partnership for security and digital and green transition.

Published 14 May 2024 · [Press release](#), [Webcast](#) from [Ulf Kristersson](#), [Prime Minister's Office](#)

[Johan Forssell received Nigeria's Minister of Communications, Innovation and Digital Economy](#)

On 2–3 May, Nigeria's Minister of Communications, Innovation and Digital Economy Olatunbosun Tijani visited Sweden at the invitation of Swedish Minister for International Development Cooperation and Foreign Trade Johan Forssell. The purpose of the visit was to discuss opportunities for enhanced cooperation on innovation, digitalisation and telecommunications.

Published 06 May 2024 · [Press release](#) from [Johan Forssell](#), [Ministry for Foreign Affairs](#)

[Sweden and US strengthen cooperation on research, innovation and education](#)

To improve the conditions for cooperation between Swedish and American universities, research institutions and businesses on research, innovation and education, Vinnova and the Swedish Research Council have signed a five-year memorandum of understanding with the National Science Foundation (NSF) of the United States of America.

Published 18 April 2024 · [Press release](#) from [Ebba Busch](#), [Mats Persson](#), [Ministry of Climate and Enterprise](#), [Ministry of Education and Research](#)

[Five northern European countries conclude international arrangements on transport and storage of carbon across borders](#)

A European infrastructure for carbon capture and storage is underway. Today, arrangements between Denmark, Norway, Belgium, the Netherlands, and Sweden allow cross-border transport and geological storage of captured CO₂.

Published 16 April 2024 · [Press release](#) from [Romina Pourmokhtari](#), [Ministry of Climate and Enterprise](#)

[Inter-agency initiative to attract and retain international expertise](#)

The shortage of workers with sought-after skills is one of the main obstacles to growth for companies in Sweden and has also become an obstacle to regional development. In light of this, the Government is allocating SEK 25 million in 2024 to strengthen coordination of the ongoing efforts of eleven government agencies linked to attracting and retaining international expertise.

Published 04 March 2024 · [Press release](#) from [Ebba Busch](#), [Johan Forssell](#), [Johan Pehrson](#), [Ministry for Foreign Affairs](#), [Ministry of Climate and Enterprise](#), [Ministry of Employment](#)

[Renewed strategic partnership between Sweden and France](#)

Prime Minister Ulf Kristersson and President Emmanuel Macron have signed a renewed strategic innovation partnership declaration between Sweden and France. It includes new areas such as nuclear energy, forestry and security.

Published 31 January 2024 · [Press release](#), [Webcast](#) from [Ulf Kristersson](#), [Prime Minister's Office](#)

[Government has adopted a new Strategy for Sweden's Trade, Investment and Global Competitiveness](#)

The Government has adopted a new trade strategy, with the objective of giving Swedish businesses the best possible conditions to both address emerging challenges and of harness business opportunities that arise in the green and digital transition.

Published 13 December 2023 · [Press release](#) from [Ebba Busch](#), [Johan Forssell](#), [Mats Persson](#), [Ministry for Foreign Affairs](#), [Ministry of Climate and Enterprise](#), [Ministry of Education and Research](#)

[Joint statement by Canada and Sweden on sustained engagement on critical raw materials, battery value chains and emerging technologies](#)

The countries are working together to build economic resiliency and provide new market opportunities for Canadian and Swedish businesses. The Honourable François-Philippe Champagne, Minister of Innovation, Science and Industry, and Ebba Busch, Minister for Energy, Business and Industry and Deputy Prime Minister of Sweden made the following statement.

Published 05 October 2023 · [Statement](#) from [Ebba Busch](#), [Ministry of Climate and Enterprise](#)

[Sweden and the United States strengthen energy research cooperation](#)

Research and innovation promote progress in the energy sector. Minister for Education Mats Persson today signed an implementation agreement for energy research cooperation with the United States. The agreement was signed in the Reactor Hall at KTH Royal Institute of Technology, where research reactor R1 – Sweden's first nuclear reactor – contributed to research between 1954 and 1970.

Published 27 June 2023 · [Press release](#) from [Mats Persson](#), [Ministry of Education and Research](#)

[Life sciences conference in era of personalised medicine](#)

On 26–27 June, Europe's key stakeholders in the life sciences sector will gather to highlight the importance of research and innovation in personalised medicine. The conference, organised within the framework of the Swedish Presidency of the Council of the EU, will be live-streamed.

Published 22 June 2023 · [Press release](#) from [Ebba Busch](#), [Jakob Forssmed](#), [Johan Pehrson](#), [Ministry of Climate and Enterprise](#), [Ministry of Education and Research](#), [Ministry of Health and Social Affairs](#)

[UK-Sweden Joint Leaders Statement: 19 June 2023](#)

The UK and Sweden share historic ties of friendship and are essential allies. We have forged a strong partnership, based on shared values and in support of multilateralism and a rules-based international order. We are united in our steadfast commitment to working together for the security and protection of our citizens and to strengthen European security as a whole. This Leaders' Statement celebrates and reasserts the enduring and extensive connections between the United Kingdom and Sweden, which benefit from the agreements between the United Kingdom and the European Union, of which Sweden is a member.

Published 19 June 2023 · [Statement](#) from [Ulf Kristersson, Prime Minister's Office](#)

[Government instructs Business Sweden to coordinate efforts to set up large battery plants as part of automotive industry's green transition](#)

Last week, the Government decided to task Business Sweden with strengthening the coordination of efforts to set up large battery plants as part of the automotive industry's green transition.

Published 08 June 2023 · [Press release](#) from [Ebba Busch, Ministry of Climate and Enterprise](#)

[Partnership group's work reflected in assignment on accelerated electrification](#)

To further accelerate the electrification of the transport sector, the Swedish National Road and Transport Research Institute (VTI) was commissioned by the Government to help build knowledge in this area. This need has been clearly highlighted in the work of the Government's strategic innovation partnership programme Climate neutral industry.

Published 11 October 2021 · [Article](#) from [Ministry of Climate and Enterprise](#)

[Impact of the innovation partnership programme Climate neutral industry](#)

Work within the partnership groups in the four innovation partnership programmes has been well underway since they were first launched in June 2019. Viveca Bergstrand is the Project Manager for the innovation partnership programme Climate neutral industry, and she already sees positive results emerging from the work of the partnership group.

Published 15 December 2020 · [Article](#) from [Ministry of Climate and Enterprise](#)

[Sweden's national life sciences strategy](#)

"Sweden aims to be a leading life sciences nation. Life sciences contribute to improving health and quality of life of the population, ensuring economic prosperity, advancing the country as a leading knowledge nation and achieving the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development."

Published 12 November 2020 · [Information material](#) from [Ministry of Climate and Enterprise](#), [Ministry of Education and Research](#), [Ministry of Health and Social Affairs](#)

[Goodbye Kansas Studios wins 2019 Cultural and Creative Industries Export Prize](#)

Today, 23 October, the Government's 2019 Cultural and Creative Industries Export Prize was awarded to Goodbye Kansas Studios. The rising star award went to Rave Review.

Published 23 October 2020 · [Press release](#) from [Ministry for Foreign Affairs](#)

[Declaration between France and Sweden on cooperation in European affairs and an update of the French-Swedish partnership for innovation and green solutions](#)

Sweden and France have today taken a new step to further increase our bilateral cooperation, at national level, within the European Union and globally.

Published 07 June 2019 · [Information material](#) from [Prime Minister's Office](#)

[Migration and trade on agenda as heads of state and government meet](#)

Migration, EU-US relations, and security and defence will be on the agenda when Prime Minister Stefan Löfven meets his European Council colleagues on 28–29 June.

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